

SIGNS AS HOWARD

Dr. J. W. Clawson Addresses His Friends.

STORY OF HIS OPERATIONS

In Southern Illinois Where He Was Convicted.

Dr. J. W. Clawson, who is now in the Illinois penitentiary at Joliet and going by his old name of George B. Howard, writes to his friends through the Eagle. It will be noticed that he has dropped the name of Clawson and signs his name Howard.

"Manard P. O., Kan., June 9, 1899.

"Kind Friends—I arrived here still sick, and a broken hearted man. But God bless you and the people of Kansas. God will reward you all for the mercy you have shown me. To separate me from dear wife and little Geneva was near death. But the prayers of that widow, wife and orphan child and good people of Kansas, and their never-ceasing efforts I feel will soon send me back to those that are so dear to me, to live and die on Kansas soil. Nobler people never lived. Remember me to every one as they are all my friends, and remember me to them.

Deputy Marshal Trigg and Harry Sutton, who took Howard back, say that the Illinois officials take no stock in Howard at all. Mr. Trigg says the officials were ticked to get him and said if Kansas people only knew his history they would not have any sympathy for him at all.

The following account of Howard's operations is from the St. Louis Republic. It was a little more than twelve years ago that George B. Howard, tall, distinguished looking and about 25 years old, came into the small town of Mound City, Ill. He let it be known that he was a southern gentleman, and his soft accent and polished ways convinced the people he spoke the truth. No one ever inquired where he came from or if they did they did not find out at that time.

Howard had considerable money, apparently. He opened up a real estate office, and, although that was something of a novelty in Mound City, where men bought and sold property without an agent, he did some business. Finally he started the town by selling a tract of land to a big concern which erected a factory and employed several hundred men and women.

It was this which made Howard respected by every one—if there had been any lack of it before. He was received in the best society of the town, attended church regularly and, although it was whispered that he sometimes had nights of revelry in his office, few listened to the rumors.

Howard had been in Mound City but little more than a year when he met Abbie Clawson, whose mother, Mrs. P. C. Earle, was one of the richest women in town, and had beside, so it was said, many wealthy and influential relatives to the east. Miss Clawson and Howard were married late in 1883, the wedding being the most elaborate the town had ever seen.

In the meantime Howard had opened an office as pension agent and gave this business his attention almost to the exclusion of real estate trading. He had no white clients, but hunted through the southern part of the state, commonly known as Egypt, for negroes who had served in the civil war and for their families. He had a number of agents and in a short time the attention of the pension department was called to Howard's agency by reason of the many pensions which were being issued to persons in this locality. An investigation was made, but nothing was found that pointed to any wrong-doing.

After the visit of the government officer the applications for pensions came in stronger than before. Howard's reputation as a pension lawyer brought him many more clients and he appeared to be making thousands of dollars a year.

One day, in examining a pension voucher, some one in Washington noticed the signature on a receipt, purporting to be signed by a woman was very much like Howard's writing. Experts said it was the same. Another investigation followed, and an astonishing state of affairs was found. The result was that the federal grand jury for that district returned twenty-five indictments against Howard. He was arrested and, despite the efforts of his mother-in-law, he was kept in jail. As soon as he secured his release on one indictment he was immediately rearrested on another.

Failing to get out of the law's hands, Mrs. Earle then turned her labors in another direction, and within a few days Howard was placed on trial. The first charge on which he was tried was forgery. It was proved that he signed a pensioner's name to a voucher. For this he was sentenced to serve three years in the Chester penitentiary, where government prisoners are cared for by the state. He was then tried for an ordinary case of passing fraudulent money from prisoners by way of reparation, and sentenced for two years. There were twenty-three other counts of like nature against him, and he pleaded guilty to nine of those and the remaining indictments were made void.

Howard was taken to the penitentiary to serve his fourteen years on October 17, 1891. He immediately began to show signs of insanity, either real or feigned, and the following July he was removed to the government hospital in Washington, D. C. It was from this place that he escaped in October, 1892. It is claimed by the secret service that Howard's removal to the hospital was the result of influence which his relatives had with high officials. It was proved that a large sum of money was sent him while he was in the hospital and that he used it to bribe a guard who allowed him to escape.

MRS. SHEPPARD INJURED

In a Wreck Caused by a Reckless Driver.

Mrs. Sheppard, wife of Rev. Sheppard, who lives at 347 South Emporia avenue, was quite seriously injured yesterday in a collision of vehicles at the corner of First and Market streets, and she considers herself and daughter very lucky in avoiding death. The collision was caused by reckless driving. A colored man, in the employ of H. J. Haggy, was driving north on Market at a very rapid pace, when his horse jumped into the gutter occupied by Mrs. Sheppard and her daughter, who were driving west on First street. Mrs. Sheppard saw the horse coming, just in time to leap out of the back of the buggy and avoid injury, but Mrs. Sheppard being an elderly woman, could not get out of the way. The frantic horse which was being driven by the negro, whose name could not

"A Word to the Wise is Sufficient."

But some stubborn people wait until "down sick" before trying to ward off illness or cure it. The wise recognize in the word "Hood's" assurance of health. For all blood troubles, scrofula, pimples, as well as diseases of the kidneys, liver and bowels, Hood's Sarsaparilla is the effective and faultless cure.

Scrofula—"I was almost bedfast with scrofula and catarrh. Had no appetite. Hood's Sarsaparilla soon made me stronger and later all the sores disappeared and catarrh stopped." Nellie Osman, 414 Lyon St., Des Moines, Iowa.

Eczema—"Since I was a child I have had eruptions on my body which our physician pronounced eczema. I took six bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and have had no return of the disease." Mrs. Ida M. Potter, Conneaut, Ohio.

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Hood's Pills cure liver ills; the non-irritating and only cathartic to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

he learned, leaped with his foretrot into Mrs. Sheppard's buggy, smashing the bed to pieces, and the force of the collision smashed the buggy to the ground, almost killing it. Mrs. Sheppard was almost under the horse's feet, and could not extricate herself, but her daughter hurriedly pulled her from the wreck. The shafts of the Haggy buggy barely missed her and it was considered by everybody who witnessed the incident to have been a very narrow escape. Mrs. Sheppard was removed to her home and a physician was summoned. She had several bad bruises on her limbs and shoulder and her knee was affected so that she will not be able to walk for a few days.

OKLAHOMA AND TEXAS SHRINER

Large Delegation Pass Through on Their Way to Buffalo.

A special car attached to the north-bound Rock Island train last night contained a large number of members of the Mystic Shrine and their ladies, who were on their way from Oklahoma and Texas to the grand meeting of the order at Buffalo, N. Y. They were a jolly lot of fellows and when they got to Buffalo that old eastern town will get a taste of western jollity that will make it tremble.

The delegations were in charge of Colonel E. M. Duncan, traveling passenger and ticket agent of Rock Island, and he was showing them a good time. The members of the delegations are as follows: Oklahoma Delegation—William Grimes, Fred Belt, J. C. Cross and Willie Cross. J. E. Tinscher, P. L. Winkler, Mrs. William Grimes, Mrs. Fred Belt, Mrs. J. C. Cross, Mrs. J. E. Tinscher, Mrs. P. L. Winkler, Miss E. Grimes, Miss Irene Menzies, Master Donald Tinscher, Miss Elsie Belt, Kingfisher, O. T.; Major A. E. Woodson, C. P. Cornelius, Mrs. C. P. Cornelius, Darlington, O. T.; H. B. Johnson, Mrs. H. B. Johnson, Minco; E. B. Johnson, Mrs. E. B. Johnson, Norman; R. F. Soutter, J. A. Spook, Chickasha; H. L. Jarboe, J. L. Marlow, A. W. Abrams, Mrs. A. W. Abrams, Miss Nettie Abrams, Cowpaw, I. T.; R. A. Byrne, R. A. Suggs, Mrs. R. O. Suggs, Ardmore, I. T.

Texas Delegation—W. W. Seley, L. C. Puckett, Mrs. W. W. Seley, Mrs. L. C. Puckett, Waco, Tex.; Lee Watson, Brownwood, John L. Loveloy, Mrs. J. L. Loveloy, Miss Margie Loveloy, McKinney; W. D. Westbrook, Mrs. W. D. Westbrook, Loring; George H. Green, Mrs. W. H. Green, A. B. Lane, G. H. Stenehart, Thos. D. Miller, John G. Hunter, Dallas; L. T. Fuller, Calvert; James Doak, Fort Worth.

The Modern Beauty
Thrives on good food and sunshine, with plenty of exercise in the open air. Her form glows with health and her face blooms with its beauty. If her system needs the cleansing action of a laxative remedy, she uses the gentle and pleasant Srup of Pils, made by the California Fig Syrup company only.

CONCERT IN GRISWOLD

Sanford's Commercial Band Will Render a Program.

Sanford's Commercial band will give the following program in Griswold park at 4 o'clock this afternoon: March, "Cuban Independence"; Pilsnitz Overture, "William Tell"; Rossini Selection, "The Gondoliers"; Sullivan Waltz, "Tales from the Vienna Woods"; Strauss March, "Crimson Flash"; Alexander Overture, "Popular Kentucky Medley"; Baritone solo, "Carnival of Venice"; Cox Mr. Brillenstein. March, "Whistling Rufus"; MacFarren Overture, "Robin Hood"; Wagner "Parsifal"; Ewing Grand march, "Tempter"; Grafsula Mr. J. P. Stanley of the Stanley Hat company, leaves today for New York. He will put in a wholesale stock of notions this fall in connection with his present business.

SOUTHERNERS AND COFFEE.

A Cooking School Teacher From the South.

My father was a Southerner, and therefore we always had coffee three times a day, and as a result, are a very nervous family.

I could not break off from the coffee habit until I found a delightful beverage in the Postum Food Coffee.

I have learned to like it better than coffee.

We did not like it at first, because it was not made according to directions, but since we have come to know that it must be boiled, we are enthusiastic in its praise.

DAMAGE IS GREAT

Worst Floods in Harper County for Sixteen Years.

BRIDGES ARE DESTROYED

Trouble for Railroads in Rice County.

Reports of high water came in yesterday from different parts of the country and the damage to crops will be enormous. Governor Lewelling came in yesterday and said that west of the city the whole country is under water. At Lyons it was reported last night that the Missouri Pacific could not get their trains across the river at all before some time today. A further rise in the Big Arkansas is reported due here today some time.

A special from Anthony says: From three to five inches of rain in various parts of Harper county is reported. This amount of water falling on an already super-saturated soil has resulted in the largest floods known to the county since 1882. Forces were washed out all over the county. Wagon bridges are washed away, approaches to standing bridges gone and railroad bridges damaged so as to be unsafe for trains in many cases. A considerable amount of hay has been lost, but it was last year's crop and is not of much consequence. Bluff creek is from a quarter to half a mile wide and from fifteen to thirty feet deep. The pump-house of the city waterworks is on Bluff creek, and water was six feet deep in it last night and is four feet deep at 8 a. m., when Engineer Beebe telephoned in the condition of things from a perch on top of the boilers, where he had climbed with the telephone box to escape the rising flood. The Missouri Pacific railroad bridge at the pump house is badly damaged by a collision from a floating wagon bridge, and twenty feet of the east abutment washed away.

MACCABEE'S OFFICERS

List of Officers Named for Ensuing Year.

At the election of officers of the Knights of the Maccabees, Friday night, the following officers were chosen: P. B. Fennel, commander; Joe Eungard, lieutenant; commander; J. L. Leland, record keeper; F. Tullis, chaplain; J. L. Lee, sergeant; S. Mohr, master-at-arms; Jno. Milhaubi, first master guard; W. H. Culp, second master guard; Bruce Griffith, sentinel; W. C. Palmer, picket. The newly elected officers will be installed the first regular meeting night in July.

TAKES FRED BURNETT'S PLACE

C. S. Priestly Promoted to the Position Yesterday.

C. S. Priestly, formerly telegraph operator in Superintendent Dolan's office, has been transferred to the city ticket office and given the position formerly held by Fred Burnett, with Mr. Delaney and Mr. Moriarty. Mr. Priestly is a bright and wide-awake young man and is considered by his associates as an extremely pleasant and affable gentleman. The Santa Fe people are fortunate in having such a splendid force as they have in the office which comes so closely in contact with the public. The change is considered a just promotion for Mr. Priestly.

CHILDREN WENT FISHING

When They Did Not Return Mrs. White Was Alarmed.

Mrs. Gertrude White, who lives on Market street, between Elm and Pine, was greatly alarmed last night over her two children, a boy aged 12 and a girl aged 10, who had gone fishing near the new bridge on Little River. The children promised to return home at 5 o'clock and it was nearly 8 o'clock when Mrs. White went in search of them. She tramped through Griswold park and over the banks of the river, but could get no trace of the children and she feared they might have fallen in the swift, deep waters of the river.

W. C. T. U. FLOWER MISSION

Will be Celebrated This Year on June 19th.

Wichita W. C. T. U. will celebrate Flower Mission day on June 13 this year, instead of June 9, as usual. Will those who have flowers to donate for distribution kindly send them to our headquarters, 234 North Main street, on Tuesday morning? This is one of our "red letter" days, being the birthday of Miss Jennie Cassady, for many years of national superintendent of that department, an invalid for over thirty years, who took this way of bringing a happy influence into other lives. We send them to the sick, the jails, almshouses, hospitals, etc.

ISABEL G. BROWN, Sec'y.

MUSICAL CLUB CONCERT

Closing Number Given Next Wednesday Night.

The following program will be given by the Musical club at their closing concert next Wednesday evening at the First Presbyterian church. The choral department will sing "The Months," a two-part cantata by Gaul, and the instrumental department will render some very interesting numbers by English and American composers.

PROGRAM

Chorus—"The Months" January, February, March, April.....Gaul
Wichita Musical Club.
Piano Solo—Capriccio Dmi, op. 2.....Bennett
Miss A. Bassant.
Ladies' Quartette—"Sleep, Little Baby of Mine".....Dempsey
Miss Oldfield, Mrs. Child, Blanche Child, Miss Loper.
Piano Solo—Hesitant.....McDonald.
Miss I. Leeper.
Chorus—"The Months" May, June, July, August.....Gaul
Wichita Musical Club.
Piano Solo—Dance Rhapsody op. 10, Macdonald.
Miss G. Calhoun.
Vocal Solo—
(a) "Greeting".....Hawley
(b) "For This".....De Koven
Mr. C. Haynes.
Two Pianos—Concerto A flat maj., Field
Mrs. E. Higginson, Miss G. Calhoun.
Chorus—"The Months" September, October, November, December.....Gaul
Wichita Musical Club.

Warning to Water Consumers.

You are hereby notified not to allow cement contractors or other outside parties to use water from your fixture unless they show a permit for so doing issued by this office.

Supplying water to cement contractors or others without a permit is a violation of your contract with this company, and water will be turned off from all consumers who do so.

WICHITA WATER CO.

AT Cash Henderson's All Our Fond Hopes Realized.

Our low prices with good quality made last week's business in excess of our expectations. Prices will be cut deeper this week and wonderful values can be had at the big store.

Twenty pieces blue, green and black Grenadines, all silk, ranging in price from 75c up. See them.

Choice styles in Wash Silks at 43c.

Invoice of new things in Black Crepons, for summer, at 75c.

Ten pieces Sicilians, in blue, brown and gray, specially woven for skirts. Ask to see them. Price is right.

Fifteen pieces of white and checked Nainsook, worth double, 61-4c.

One thousand yards of linen colored Novelties, worth 10c, at 61-4c.

If you can use Muslin Underwear come to the big store, as we are making prices that defy competition.

The second floor contains everything in Mattings, Carpets, Curtains and Upholstering. Smyrna Rugs, 27 by 54 inches, at 99c.

Genuine Oriental Rugs, all sizes, at half the actual price same sell in New York City.

All goods on this floor in same proportion. You will be surprised at the low prices.

Also special prices on all Millinery this week. Take elevator for third floor, where extraordinary bargains await you.

One lot of silk and satin Summer Capes, trimmed in ribbon, jet and chiffon, worth \$6.50, at \$3.90.

Beautiful line of Linen Skirts, 45c up.

New stock of Shirt Waists, all colors, 39c up.

Big assortment Telescopes and Satchels, 25c up. See them.

119-121 North Main Street.

You'll make no mistake if you trade at the good clothing store.

Let's Study This Clothing question from her standpoint. Get her ideas on the cost of a coat that suits you best. She, wife, mother or sister (yours or the other fellow's), knows more in a minute about stylish and becoming clothes than you'll learn in a month, unless she's willing to teach you. Bring her with you when you make a purchase, let her see the styles. If she's too bashful or diffident to come, consult her at home; ask her which she thinks is most becoming to you. Ten to one it's the kind you'll buy. You don't care what other men think about your suit, but you do want her to look favorably on it. If she says get a blue serge suit, come here for it at once. We've got 'em in round or square cut, single or double breasted, from \$8 to \$14 the suit, and we think they are the best made, most stylish and cheapest suits (when quality is considered), that was ever shown in town at their respective prices.

Maybe we are mistaken? Ask her about it.

Herman & Hess.

Goldstandt's, Sunday, June 11.

Comfortable Summer Coats

can be good fitting ones at the same time if you get the right.

These Alfred Benjamin summer coats and vests are full of comfort and they have, besides, that tidy, genteel appearance so hard to find in other skeleton made coats.

Double-breasted Blue Serge Coats, Harringtons Serge Coats, Black China Silk, White Sullies, Tents, Canvas, Fancy Seersuckers. All at easy prices.

Other Summer Comforts

Manhattan Negligé Shirts, Nobby Straw Hats, Light Machine Pistoles, Colonnade Night Robes.

Goldstandt

MEN'S OUTFITTER

Mrs. Dr. C. D. Fitch, will read your life from your earliest recollection 'till the end.

There is no secret so deep or obscure that this gifted medium can't fathom while in a dead trance. Lost or stolen property located. 140 North Topeka avenue.

Mrs. Dr. Fitch

treats all forms of chronic diseases with osteopathy treatment. Female weakness and derangements cured.

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Arthur Frankensfield and H. J. Wells returned yesterday from Kansas City, where they had been on business.

FANCY WORSTED SUITS.

Those handsome stripes and checks that have had such a rage this year and are so popular everywhere and look neat and refined and wear well. The very swiftest dressers have given them the preference for spring and summer wear. Our stock comprises every new fabric and style, most fashionable patterns. Select one from our splendid line and you can depend on being strictly "in line." They're suits that are made, trimmed, hang and fit as well as first-class tailors get up, at less than half their price. We have a fine line of these at

\$6, \$7, \$8, \$9, \$10.

Blue Serge Still leads for summer wear; cool, comfortable, and look so dainty. We've sold stacks of them and have a nice line left—selling lots of them every day. Suits, coats and vests and odd coats.

Good all wool Blue Serge Suit, well made; you can't equal them in the city at the price. \$600

Serge Coats and Vests We have a fine line of these in blue or black, made right proper style, only. \$375

Serge Coats They also come in both blue and black and are excellent values, and selling fast, too. \$250

Negligé Shirts are the proper thing just now for comfort and style, and this line is up to our high standard. See display in west window. 50c, 75c, \$1.00

Mothers and Her Boy Both pleased with Fulton's Clothing. It is always so neat in fit, so charming in appearance, and so thoroughly well made; unlike the boys' clothing sold at the ordinary store.

Boys' All Wool Knee Pants Suits, well made \$125

Boys' Blouse Suits, made of all wool sailor cloth, handsomely trimmed with black braid \$150

Boys' Wash Suits, made of Madras cloth, large sailor collar of blue, gray and brown; nicely made; only \$25c

Boys' All Wool Knee Pants, reinforced seat and knees; well made; only \$25c

Boys' Rough Rider Suits, made of extra quality brown duck; made regular officer style \$100

Scriven's Double Elastic Seamed Drawers (lot No. 10). Fulton's price and no limit. 50c

Bathing Suits For Ladies and Gentlemen. New line of swell Neckwear just in.

You're not likely to want it, but if you do you can have your money back for the asking.

C. R. FULTON,

WICHITA'S GREATEST CLOTHING STORE.

For 6 o'clock teas, After dinner luncheon, Picnic parties, There's nothing so nice as.....

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Most delicious and dainty; are better than cakes, but much cheaper 16 for 10c. Try them. Put up in moisture-proof boxes. At all groceries

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Now Here's Our Proposition.

We bought the Shoes at 25 per cent discount. We can sell them to you at manufacturer's cost and make a profit of 25 per cent, so that is what we'll do. Come and get the Shoes at manufacturer's first cost. We'll both be benefited. Your interest is ours, see. You are as welcome to look as to trade. You can bring a poor bargain back and exchange it for the cash any time.

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